GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

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FLOOD CONTROL BY INDIA AND NEPAL
DUKHA BHAGAT

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of meetings held so far between India and Nepal, regarding construction of dams for power generation and control of flood in Bihar caused by the rivers originating from Nepal;

(b) the decision arrived at in these meetings; and

(c) the action taken to implement the decision?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SMT. BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY)

(a) Two meetings of Indo-Nepal Joint Team of Experts (JTE) and one meeting at Technical level have been held so farin connection with the construction of dams for power generation and control of floods in Bihar caused by the rivers originating from Nepal. Besides this, the first meeeting of the Nepal-Inda Joint Committee on Water Resources (JCWR)at the level of Secretary, Ministry of Water Resources of both the countries was held during 1st,3rd October, 2000, when the issue of construction of above dams was inter alia discussed.

(b) & (c) Both the governments of India and Nepal have decided to take up field surveys and investigations to prepare a joint detailed project report of Sapta Kosi − Sun KosiMultipurpose Project based on an agreed inception report of the project. During the first meeting of JCWRit was decided for the development of a small/medium hydro power project in Nepal and export of the generated power to India. The Nepalese delegation suggested the names of a few projects presently available including Burhi Gandaki. The implementation of Sapta Kosi High Dam Project will depend on theoutcome of the deliberations of the subsequent meetings of Indo-Nepal JTE.